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Hongkong, Dec. 20, 1917. 2405

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),

SATURDAY,
the 29th December, 1917, at 11 a.m., at "Eggesford" 154, The Peak.THE SUNDAY
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD
FURNITURE,
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therein contained.Including—
Large Cherrywood Toilet Table, Cherrywood Bookcase and Chairs, Handsomely Carved Blackwood Writing Tables, Bookcase and Side Tables, &c., Teakwood and Leather-covered Arm-chairs and Settee made by Wm. Powell Ltd., Large Brass Bedstead, Hair and Box Mattresses, Wardrobes, &c.

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Hongkong, Dec. 21, 1917. 2414

PUBLIC AUCTION.

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MONDAY,
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BRITISH COLONIAL STAMPS,
comprising—

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20 Rare 3-Cornered Cape of Good Hope.

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WASHING BOOKS (for men) ...

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THE WAR.

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SUNDAY'S TELEGRAMS.

"Reuter's Service to the China Mail."

THE WESTERN FRONT.

RAIDS REPULSED.

LONDON, Dec. 21.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig

reports:-

We repulsed a raid north-eastward of Messines and took a few prisoners in patrol encounters.

LONDON, Dec. 22.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig

reports:-

We repulsed raiders, during the night, in the neighbourhood of the Bapaume-Cambrai road, to the east of Monchy-le-Preux and to the east of Armentieres.

RHEIMS SHELLED.

LONDON, Dec. 22.

A French communiqué states:-

The artillery was active in the region of Caubieres Wood.

In Alsace, an attempt to rush our trenches to the west of Cernay, was repulsed.

At Hartmann Weilerkopf, the enemy, after a big raid occupied advanced elements of our front line, but was completely ejected after hand-to-hand fighting, in which he lost heavily.

One hundred and eighteen shells were thrown on Rheims.

THE ITALIAN FRONT.

SNOWSTORMS MAY ASSIST

ALLIES.

LONDON, Dec. 21.

Reuter's Correspondent at French Headquarters in Italy, telegraphing yesterday, says:-

The situation is still anxious, but further snowstorms may any day stabilise the Front for the winter.

The enemy's recent gains were dearly bought by the Jaggars.

The capture of Monte Solone on December 18 may enable the enemy to embarrass our communications in the plain, notably towards Bassano, where two railways meet. It also threatens Monte Grappa being turned from the west.

WINTER CONDITIONS CREATE

TERRIBLE HARSHIPS.

LONDON, Dec. 22.

Reuter's Correspondent at Italian Headquarters sends a thrilling description of the intense winter conditions the Italians are undergoing in the long drawn-out duel against the ever rising flood of the enemy.

The Austro-Germans have accumulated a tremendous number of cannon on the mountains dominating the field of attack, surrounding Monte Grappa and the valleys leading to the plain.

It is necessary to use dynamite for the preparation of artillery trenches in consequence of the hardness of the frozen ground. The gunners are often obliged to place their cannon in an unsheltered position while the snowy background makes them an easy target.

Field telegraphists and stretcher

bearers face almost certain death in carrying out their duties and the infantry are obliged to lie down for hours on utterly exposed ground, awaiting the moment of attack, while the snow, in its melted form, penetrates their bones. Notwithstanding these hardships the spirit of the troops, notably the Alpini, is undaunted.

ROMY, Dec. 22.

In the Chamber, the Minister of Munitions announced that the Italians had, to-day, reconquered Monte Asolo.

SHEPHERDSVILLE (Kentucky),

Dec. 21.

Sixty-seven people were killed and fifty injured in a collision between the Louisville-Nashville passenger train and a local train, last evening.

THE SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, Dec. 20.

Messrs. Samuel, Montagu and Company's Silver report states that, as is usual at this season, trade demand is inductive, so pending fresh developments regarding the important purchases, projected by the British and American Governments, the Market remains quiet.

The Shanghai Exchange has strengthened further and the latest official quotation is 4/4 to the tael, the Indian silver holding continues to shrink.

LONDON, Dec. 22.

Silver is quoted at 43¢.

There are small offerings and the market is steady.

In other words those original shareholders who regarded their investment as a sterling one have received back about 18/6 in the £1, whereas the dollar investor was not only repaid in full but made in addition about 48 per cent. profit having put in \$22.75 per share and received back \$27.90 per share.



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THE above-mentioned vessel having arrived from above ports, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their cargo is being landed at their port into the Hazardous and/or extra Hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk. Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports before the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bill of Lading can be countersigned.

All broken and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on SATURDAY, December 29th, 1917 at 10 A.M.

All claims must be presented within a month of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after December 31st, 1917, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance, whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

J. ORAM SHEPPARD,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, Dec. 24, 1917. 2420

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO Via
HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS AND
MANILA.

THE Steamer
"SIBERIA MARU."

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of cargo from Godown.

Cargo remaining undelivered on WEDNESDAY, 26th December, at 5 P.M. will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense, and delivery must then be taken from the Company's Godown.

Storage charges will be assessed on all cargo remaining undelivered on SUN-

DAY, 30th December, at 5 P.M.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

No claims will be recognized after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown.

All chafed and damaged cargo will be landed into the Company's Godown, where they will be examined on the 3rd January, 1918, at 10 A.M.

No claims will be recognized if filed after the 8th January, 1918.

T. DAIKO,
Manager.

Hongkong, Dec. 24, 1917. 2421

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THE CALENDAR

MEMO. FOR TO-MORROW

Christmas Day: General Holiday.

GENERAL MEMORANDA

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 25.—

Boring Day: General Holiday.
1.30 and 4 p.m.—Football Charity
Match.

FRIDAY, Dec. 27.—

President Woodrow Wilson's birthday
(1856).

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Teakwood and
Blackwood Furniture, &c., at Mears
Hughes & Hough's.

3.30 p.m.—Final in Ladies' Tennis
Singles' Championship, L. H. C.
ground.

5.45 p.m.—Total Eclipse of the Moon.

5.55 p.m.—Full Moon.

MONDAY, Dec. 31.—

Holiday.

5 p.m.—Sale of Rare British Colonial
Bamps at Mears, Hughes and
Hough's.

VISITING CARDS

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China Mail Office.

Germany is making an effort to bring all the Powers at war to participate in the discussions which have begun on the Russian front. Also, we know only too well that such a peace as Germany is now seeking is only a truce from which goodwill to man cannot possibly come. That the aggressive spirit in Germany which menaces the peace of the world has not yet been extirpated has been made abundantly plain in recent speeches and writings by many of her recognized leaders, and it is made manifest also in the remarkable threat of "a holy war" against the Kaiser which M. TROTZKY, the Russian leader, has felt himself compelled to threaten at a time when peace discussions between Germany and Russia are actually in progress. This can only be regarded as an indication of the claims which the "triumphant outlaw" is making on Russia. However, it is plain to all of us that the war is fast approaching its crisis, and we can only hope that before another Christmas comes round the world will be able to celebrate it with full confidence that the world for ages to come, if not for evermore, has been secured against aggression and the message of "Peace, goodwill to men" will have found its true and abiding fulfilment.

Defendant stated that a gust of wind blew down the \$10 note from the mantelpiece. He picked it up and intended to return it to the sergeant when the latter arrested him.

No evidence was given by the magistrate to this story and he was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

THE BEST "BOY."

A Chinese was charged this morning with stealing a quantity of flowers and also with offering a silver watch and chain as a bribe to the Lukong who affected his arrest.

Inspector Kent stated that the Lukong arrested defendant as he was picking some flowers without permission. Defendant then offered a watch and chain to the constable to let him go.

Defendant pleaded guilty. He stated he was very sorry and hoped His Worship would overlook his offence. Mr. Verney, of the Dutch Bank, stated that the defendant was his "boy." Defendant had been in his employ since 1916 and during that time he had no reason to believe defendant was not honest. Defendant probably did not realize his offence when he offered the bribe to the constable. He added that the boy was the best "boy" he had ever known in his life.

His Worship fined defendant \$5 and suspended his sentence for one year, ordering him to find two sureties of \$100 each to guarantee his appearance before the Court when called upon to do so.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, Dec. 24, 1917.

LEGAL AND GENERAL.

CHRISTMAS.

England was merry England when Old Christmas brought his sports again. Was Christmas bronched the mightiest also.

Twas Christmas told the merriest tale; A Christmas gambol fit could cheer The poor man's heart through half the year.

The social traditions of Christmas are once again making their irresistible appeal to us. Here in Hongkong, remote from the scene of the Great War, we see Christmas being quietly observed as it has ever been observed here. During the past few days the Flower Market with its profusion of flowers, bunches of mistletoe and the nearest approach the neighbourhood can provide to the holly green and berry has responded to the desire for the traditional decorations. No Food.

Controller here has imposed restrictions upon the Christmas table: the sinjin, the turkey, the Christmas pudding and the mince pie are as freely obtainable as ever. Nor have the children been denied by the war the eagerly expected visit of FATHER CHRISTMAS with his load of toys and presents for distribution. Little disposed as the "grown-ups" are towards festivities in these grave times, there is every desire to preserve at least for the children the Christmas tradition. Moreover, it is a national duty in such a time as the present not to allow ourselves to be oppressed by the melancholy thoughts which come to us at with peculiar force at this season of the year to mar our "fire-side enjoyments" and our home-born happiness." There comes to us with the sad recollections the elevating thought that those who have made the great sacrifice have died that England, with all its cherished traditions, might live—a thought which inspires a new the courage and determination of our people. "A merry heart," says one of the Proverbs, "doeth good, like medicine," and that is a consideration which should, perhaps, more than anything else, induce us in this time of gloom and sorrow to observe as well as we may our traditional festivities.

For the fourth Christmas season in succession the Christian message to the world of "Peace on earth, goodwill to men" will pass unheeded, though in the rumours of peace manœuvres which have regularly been heard each Christmas season, through which the war has passed, we may recognize the prompting of the Christmas message which is annually proclaimed from the pulpits throughout Christendom. Christmas in Germany is no less a home festival than it is in England and the call to consider whether peace on earth cannot be.

CHINESE AFFAIRS.

[The "China Mail" Service.]

A BEWILDERING SITUATION.

PEKING Dec. 21.

The situation is most be bewildering. While there is talk of an armistice and negotiations for peace, orders are being issued to mobilize. Only those with "inside" knowledge know what is happening.

Li Shun's representatives, in an interview with the President, stated that Kwantung and Kwangsi were earnestly desirous of peace. They also reported their fear that the troops of Chihli and Shantung would be unable to appear at the Front, and they asked the President to personally decide on an early peace. They made the further request that the Shantung troops should not take the Pukow route.

LATER.

According to authoritative information a proclamation is about to be issued stopping the fighting the Premier having already arranged with the Southern representatives to summon a new Parliament according to the old Constitution, and the Provisional Senate is also willing to sacrifice itself.

CABINET TO BE AGAIN REORGANISED.

PEKING, Dec. 23.

Owing to disagreements regarding policy the Cabinet is likely to be reorganized.

Wong Shih Chen being unable to carry out his peace policy is likely to resign.

Lu Cheng Chung may act as Premier.

PUBLIC CONFIDENCE SHAKEN BY GOVERNMENT BANKS.

Government banks have entirely suspended cash payments and notes have declined to half their face value.

Luk Wing Ting has telegraphed requesting the recall of troops from Szechuan and Hunan, "in order to accelerate peace negotiations."

THE MAGISTRACY.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY.

A Chinese contractor charged another Chinese before Mr. Wood this morning with assault and also with the larceny of a revolver valued at \$40.

Inspector Angu stated that about noon on the 5th instant, the complainant on his return from Tyamuk was set upon by two men, of whom defendant was one, near Siawan Gap and assaulted him. There was a struggle and all of them rolled down the hillside. Complainant managed to take out his revolver and fired a shot at his assailants, wounding one of them in the body. The assailants then snatched the revolver away from him and escaped. The complainant then made a report at the Police station and together with the Police went search for the wounded man whom they found concealed under some shrubs near the Siawan filter beds.

His Worship remanded the case until Thursday week.

THEFT OF \$10.

A coolie was charged before Mr. Wood this morning with the theft of \$10 from Sergeant Smith R.G.A. at Kowloon.

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UNNECESSARY WORKS.

WHY waste words and advertising

space in describing the many

points in view in Chamberlain's

speech? The most

obvious

and important

feature of

Chamberlain's

speech is the

call to

consider whether

peace on earth cannot be.

AMERICAN ROMAN CATHOLIC MISSION IN CHINA.

THE SUPERIOR IN HONGKONG.

The Very Rev. James A. Walsh

of New York gave addresses at the

Roman Catholic Cathedral and St

Joseph's Church yesterday morning.

Father Walsh is Superior of the

newly-formed American Seminary for

Catholic Foreign Missions and has

come to China to prepare the field

for American priests, four of whom

will come to this country next

September.

Father Walsh spoke yesterday in

anticipation of the feast of Christ

mas. The Christian world, he re

marked, is on the eve of a com

memoration that recalls the greatest

event in history, the birth of Jesus

Christ, the Son of God. Advent had

commemorated the long period of

four thousand years during which

the nations sat in darkness.

A partial revelation had been given to the

Jewish people upon whom God had

lived many favours, but theirs

was an incomplete law and their light

chance.

Outside of Israel, the dark

ness was practically complete and

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Sir Harry H. Johnston gave a highly interesting lecture before the Royal Geographical Society, Burlington Gardens, on "The Political Geography of Africa before and after the War." The lecture had special reference to the achievements and aims of the Germans.

Sir Harry traced the growth of German colonial ambitions after the war of 1870. These ambitions were to a great extent realised for Germany by the acquisition of this country, and by about 1890 we had actually facilitated the acquisition by Germany of a colonial empire, exceeding a million square miles situated mainly in Africa. The Germans never took their eyes off North Africa, as was proved by the attempt to revive the Morocco question in 1910 and the dispatch of the Panther to Agadir in 1911. Again Germany founded an Austria-Hungarian chartered company for the exploitation of Tripoli, and the pouncing of Italy on this region infatuated Germany, who would really have established her authority by this company over Tripoli and between the frontiers of Egypt and Tunisia.

After sketching the political re-arrangement of Africa it is suggested that it might have been in 1916 if Germany had pursued to a conclusion negotiations already tentatively begun with the Western Powers. Sir Harry Johnston passed on to consider what may be the aspect of Africa at the end of the war. He assumed that Germany would be left with no colonies. Portugal might allow British Nyasaland to reach the navigable Zambezi as against the acquisition of Tung Tien Bay on the far north (Burma estuary); Belgium might exchange the inconvenient strip of Bangweul territory and the right bank of the Semliki against better access to Lake Albert and the shores of Lake Kivu, the last-named for cily taken from the Congo State by Germany 15 years ago. France would regain all that portion of French Congo ceded to Germany in 1911, and in addition much of the south and east of German Cameroon. The north west of Cameroon, including the Sanaga River would be added to British Nigeria. On the other hand, much of Uganda might go to France, to the adjoining State of Dahomey. The southern half of German South West Africa (including Swakopmund and Walvis Bay) should properly pass to the Union of South Africa; but the northern half (including the negro territories of Uvapoland and Damara) might preferably be governed by the administration of the British South Africa Company, on the same lines as Bechuanaland. Rhodesia at present had no outlet to the sea. Such a arrangement might when wealth came to this region of South Central Africa—as assembly would—give to Rhodesia a port on the Atlantic much nearer to England than Beira or Cape Town.

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As a preliminary measure the promoters of the foundry have requested the Nagasaki Municipality to submit a memorandum of the advantages to be derived by the Company as a result of choosing Nagasaki (Oaraki) to do

Nagasaki's claims drafted a statement of the success of the enterprise. On Thursday (November 23rd) the Municipal Assembly met and discussed the local committee's proposals, which were adopted with the exception that the maximum financial contribution to be made by the city should be Yen 200,000; the latter proviso was cancelled.

The memorandum states that 300,000 taels of gold at Urahami and 100,000 taels of silver at Kuroda are required for the works. The prices are quoted as follows: Yen 50 per cent for available land 30 yen per hill and woodland, Yen 10 for land with buildings. The allowances made for the transfer of houses etc. are estimated as Yen 30. The memorandum properly shared by the Company and the Municipality, the latter to bear all costs exceeding the estimate. Nagasaki is also to pay half the cost of dredging the Inasa Creek and the transfer of the military barracks from Takemotobu. Support is to be given to the enterprise by the city in other ways.

It is reported that the cost to Nagasaki of the above scheme would be Yen 1,724,431, including Yen 200,000 for the dredging of Inasa Creek and Yen 100,000 for the removal of the barracks. The money would probably be raised by loan, but no decision has yet been made in regard to the matter.

Opposition to the enterprise is manifested by some inhabitants of Nagasaki, who anticipate an increase in the cost of living, heavier taxation, and a deplorable smoke nuisance.

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